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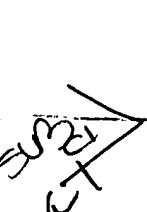
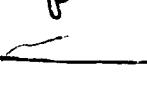
For: **PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING PACKAGING BAGS  
WITH A FASTENER**

Examiner: Daniel B. Moon (Parent Case)

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SIR:

Prior to any action in the above captioned case, kindly amend the application as follows:

**In the specification:**Page 1, line 4, after Title of the Invention, please insert the following. **CROSS****REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS.** This is a division of U.S. PatentApplication serial number 09/292,256 filed on April 15, 1999. **In the claims:**Cancel claims 1-14 and 16-39. 